

27	Subsidies, Loans and Grants.....		0.00
28	Total.....	\$	501,217.00

29 AUTHORIZED POSITIONS:

30	Permanent: Full Time.....	4
31	Part Time.....	1
32	Time-Limited: Full Time.....	0
33	Part Time.....	0

34 Funds are provided herein to adjust the Variable Compensation
35 Plan to ensure that all full-time employees receive a pay increase
36 equal to the realignment component of the Variable Compensation
37 Plan or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00), whichever
38 is greater, to be awarded on July 1, 2007.

39 With the funds herein appropriated, it is the intention of
40 the Legislature that it shall be the agency's responsibility to
41 make certain that funds required to be appropriated for "Personal
42 Services" for Fiscal Year 2009 do not exceed Fiscal Year 2008
43 funds appropriated for that purpose, unless programs or positions
44 are added to the agency's Fiscal Year 2008 budget by the
45 Mississippi Legislature. Based on data provided by the
46 Legislative Budget Office, the State Personnel Board shall
47 determine and publish the projected annual cost to fully fund all
48 appropriated positions in compliance with the provisions of this
49 act. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to insure
50 that no single personnel action increases this projected annual
51 cost and/or the Fiscal Year 2008 appropriations for "Personal
52 Services" when annualized, with the exception of escalated funds
53 and educational benchmarks. If, at the time the agency takes any
54 action to change "Personal Services", the State Personnel Board
55 determines that the agency has taken an action which would cause
56 the agency to exceed this projected annual cost or the Fiscal Year
57 2008 "Personal Services" appropriated level, when annualized, then
58 only those actions which reduce the projected annual cost and/or

59 the appropriation requirement will be processed by the State
60 Personnel Board until such time as the requirements of this
61 provision are met. On January 1, 2008, the State Personnel Board
62 will make adjustments to the structure side of the compliance
63 report based on data provided by the Legislative Budget Office in
64 order for agencies to award educational benchmarks.

65 Any transfers or escalations shall be made in accordance with
66 the terms, conditions and procedures established by law or
67 allowable under the terms set forth within this act. The State
68 Personnel Board shall not escalate positions without written
69 approval from the Department of Finance and Administration. The
70 Department of Finance and Administration shall not provide written
71 approval to escalate any funds for salaries and/or positions
72 without proof of availability of new or additional funds above the
73 appropriated level.

74 No general funds authorized to be expended herein shall be
75 used to replace federal funds and/or other special funds which are
76 being used for salaries authorized under the provisions of this
77 act and which are withdrawn and no longer available.

78 **SECTION 3.** It is the intention of the Legislature that the
79 State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land
80 Surveyors shall maintain complete accounting and personnel records
81 related to the expenditure of all funds appropriated under this
82 act and that such records shall be in the same format and level of
83 detail as maintained for Fiscal Year 2007. It is further the
84 intention of the Legislature that the agency's budget request for
85 Fiscal Year 2009 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative
86 Budget Committee in a format and level of detail comparable to the
87 format and level of detail provided during the Fiscal Year 2008
88 budget request process.

89 **SECTION 4.** It is the intention of the Legislature that
90 whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this agency for the

91 purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things
92 stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price,
93 quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind
94 shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to
95 the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are
96 made without competitive bids.

97 **SECTION 5.** The money herein appropriated shall be paid by
98 the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the
99 credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon
100 warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal
101 Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the
102 proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

103 **SECTION 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
104 and after July 1, 2007.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE
2 PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE EXPENSES OF THE STATE BOARD OF
3 REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS FOR
4 FISCAL YEAR 2008.

CONFEREES FOR THE HOUSE

CONFEREES FOR THE SENATE

X (SIGNED)
Stringer

X (SIGNED)
Gordon

X (SIGNED)
Read

X (SIGNED)
Gollott

X (SIGNED)
Broomfield

X (SIGNED)
Moffatt